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TITLE: Artificial antigen recognised by anti-filaggrin auto-antibodies - is modified form of filaggrin with citrulline replacing at least one arginine, used for diagnosis of rheumatoid polyarthritis

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PRIORITY-DATA: 1996FR-0010651 (August 30, 1996)

PATENT-FAMILY:

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FR 2752842 A1	March 6, 1998		000	C07K014/78

DESIGNATED-STATES: AT BE CH DE DK ES FI FR GB GR IE IT LI LU NL PT SE CA US AT BE CH DE DK ES FI FR GB GR IE IT LU MC NL PT SE

APPLICATION-DATA:

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WO 9808946A1	September 1, 1997	1997WO-FR01541	
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INT-CL (IPC):  $\underline{\text{C07}}$   $\underline{\text{K}}$   $\underline{14/47}$ ;  $\underline{\text{C07}}$   $\underline{\text{K}}$   $\underline{14/78}$ ;  $\underline{\text{C12}}$   $\underline{\text{N}}$   $\underline{1/21}$ ;  $\underline{\text{C12}}$   $\underline{\text{N}}$   $\underline{9/78}$ ;  $\underline{\text{C12}}$   $\underline{\text{N}}$   $\underline{15/12}$ ;  $\underline{\text{G01}}$   $\underline{\text{N}}$   $\underline{33/53}$ ;  $\underline{\text{G01}}$   $\underline{\text{N}}$   $\underline{33/542}$ ;  $\underline{\text{G01}}$   $\underline{\text{N}}$   $\underline{33/564}$ ;  $\underline{\text{G01}}$   $\underline{\text{N}}$   $\underline{33/68}$ 

ABSTRACTED-PUB-NO: WO 9808946A

BASIC-ABSTRACT:

Artificial antigen (Ag) recognised specifically by anti-filaggrin autoantibodies (Ab) present in the serum of patients with rheumatoid polyarthritis (RPA) is a recombinant or synthetic polypeptide containing at least part of a sequence derived from a filaggrin unit, or related molecule, by substitution of at least 1 arginine residue by citrulline (Cit).

 $\mbox{USE}$  -  $\mbox{Ag}$  are used for in vitro diagnosis of RPA from complex formation with  $\mbox{Ab}$  in usual immunoassays.

ADVANTAGE - Replacement of Arg by Cit is essential for antigen-specific recognition by Ab.

CHOSEN-DRAWING: Dwg.0/5

TITLE-TERMS: ARTIFICIAL ANTIGEN RECOGNISE ANTI AUTO ANTIBODY MODIFIED FORM CITRULLINE REPLACE ONE ARGININE DIAGNOSE RHEUMATISM POLYARTHRITIS

DERWENT-CLASS: B04 D16 S03

CPI-CODES: B04-B04C2; B04-N02; B12-K04A; D05-H09; D05-H12B2; D05-H17A5;

EPI-CODES: S03-E14H4;

CHEMICAL-CODES:

Chemical Indexing M1 \*01\* Fragmentation Code M423 M710 M903 P831 Q233 V791



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PUB-NO: US005888833A

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5888833 A

TITLE: Antigens recognized by antibodies to rheumatoid arthritis, their preparation

and their applications

PUBN-DATE: March 30, 1999

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: US25376294 APPL-DATE: June 3, 1994

PRIORITY-DATA: US25376294A (June 3, 1994), FR09104983A (April 26, 1991), FR09111727A (September 24, 1991), FR09200371W (April 24, 1992), US95835393A (January 27, 1993)

INT-CL (IPC):  $\underline{\text{CO7}} \times \underline{\text{K}} \times \underline{1/00}$ ;  $\underline{\text{CO7}} \times \underline{\text{K}} \times \underline{14/00}$ ;  $\underline{\text{GO1}} \times \underline{\text{N}} \times \underline{33/564}$ ;  $\underline{\text{GO1}} \times \underline{\text{N}} \times \underline{33/561}$ 

### ABSTRACT:

The present invention relates to antigens extracted from mammalian malpighian epithelia, in particular rat esophageal epithelium or human epidermis, which are specifically recognized by the autoantibodies present in patients suffering form rheumatoid arthritis in respect of antigenic determinants in common with filaggrin and human profilaggrin, as well as to the antigenic proteins of which said antigens are composed and to the peptide fragments derived therefrom. The invention relates to the use of these antigens, proteins and peptide fragments, and that of filaggrin and human profilaggrin, for the preparation of antigenic compositions, and to their applications, in particular for the diagnosis of rheumatoid arthritis. The invention also relates to the preparation of antibodies directed towards these antigens, and to their applications.

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DERWENT-WEEK: 200115

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TITLE: Analyzing genetic predisposition to disease, e.g. rheumatoid polyarthritis, by amplification then hybridization to low- and high-resolution oligonucleotide probes

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PRIORITY-DATA: 1999FR-0006599 (May 20, 1999)

PATENT-FAMILY:

PUB-DATE LANGUAGE PAGES MAIN-IPC PUB-NO 000 C12Q001/68 AU 200047660 A December 12, 2000 061 C120001/68 FR 2793809 A1 November 24, 2000 000 C12Q001/68 WO 200071750 A1 November 30, 2000

DESIGNATED-STATES: AE AG AL AM AT AU AZ BA BB BG BR BY CA CH CN CR CU CZ DE DK DM DZ EE ES FI GB GD GE GH GM HR HU ID IL IN IS JP KE KG KP KR KZ LC LK LR LS LT LU LV MA MD MG MK MN MW MX MZ NO NZ PL PT RO RU SD SE SG SI SK SL TJ TM TR TT TZ UA UG US UZ VN YU ZA ZW AT BE CH CY DE DK EA ES FI FR GB GH GM GR IE IT KE LS LU MC MW MZ NL OA PT SD SE SL SZ TZ UG ZW

APPLICATION-DATA:

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December 6, 1999 May 19, 2000 1999FR-0015314 2000WO-FR01385

INT-CL (IPC): C12 Q 1/68

RELATED-ACC-NO: 2001-052292

ABSTRACTED-PUB-NO: FR 2793809A

BASIC-ABSTRACT:

NOVELTY - Analyzing genetic predisposition to at least one disease, comprising treating a liquid sample, containing at least one type of amplicon derived from at least one polymorphic region (PMR) related to the disease, with at least one type-specific probe (P1; low resolution), and at least one subtype-specific probe (P2; high resolution), is new.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - Analyzing genetic predisposition to at least one disease, comprising treating a liquid sample, containing at least one type of amplicon derived from at least one polymorphic region (PMR) related to the disease, with at least one type-specific probe (P1; low resolution), and at least one subtype-specific probe (P2; high resolution), is new. P1 hybridizes to at least one gene, or a group of alleles of the gene, present in the amplicon and P2 hybridizes to the allele, or group of alleles, specific to P1. P2 can discriminate between one or more alleles associated with susceptibility and/or those alleles associated with resistance to disease, according to whether they hybridize or not.

INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- (1) amplification of a sequence corresponding to the group of DRB1 asterisk gr04 alleles using primers (20) and (21);
- (2) amplification of a sequence corresponding to the B27 allele using primers (22), (23) and/or (25) plus (24) and/or (26); and
- (3) combined amplification products of (1) and (2).

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CCGGATCCTTCGTGTCCCCACAGCACG (20);

TCGCCGCTGCACTGTGAAG (21);

GGGAGGAGCGAGGGACCCCAG (22);

GGGAGGAGCGAGGGACCGCAG (23);

ATCTCGGACCCGGAGACT (24);

AGGGGACCGCA (25); and

ATCTCGGACCCGGAGACTCG (26).

USE - The method is specifically used to detect the HLA alleles associated with susceptibility, or resistance, to rheumatoid polyarthritis, ankylosing spondylitis, disseminated lupus erythematosus, connective tissue disease and Sjogren's syndrome.

ADVANTAGE - The process takes less than 2 hours from preparation of the amplicons, to completion, and several genes can be analyzed simultaneously.

CHOSEN-DRAWING: Dwg.0/0

TITLE-TERMS: GENETIC DISEASE RHEUMATISM POLYARTHRITIS AMPLIFY LOW HIGH RESOLUTION

PROBE

DERWENT-CLASS: B04 D16

CPI-CODES: B04-E01; B04-E05; B11-C08E3; B11-C08E5; B12-K04A; B12-K04F; D05-H09;

D05-H12D1; D05-H18B;

CHEMICAL-CODES:

Chemical Indexing M1 \*01\* Fragmentation Code M423 M720 M750 M781 M905 N102 N134 P831 Q233 Q505 Specfic Compounds

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Chemical Indexing M1 \*02\*

Fragmentation Code M423 M720 M750 M781 M905 N102 N134 P831 Q233 Q505 Specfic Compounds A012PK A012PA A012PD A012PP

Chemical Indexing M1 \*03\*

Fragmentation Code M423 M750 M781 M905 N102 N134 P831 Q233 Q505

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Chemical Indexing M6 \*04\*

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CPI Secondary Accession Numbers: C2001-012435

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Oct 11, 2000

DERWENT-ACC-NO: 1999-407453

DERWENT-WEEK: 200052

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TITLE: Peptide containing epitope recognized by anti-filaggrin antibodies, used as immunoassay reagents for diagnosis of rheumatoid polyarthritis

INVENTOR: ARNAUD, M; DALBON, P; GIRBAL-NEUHAUSER, E; JOLIVET, M; JOLIVET-REYNAUD, C; SEBBAG, M; SERRE, G; SIMON, M; VINCENT, C; GIRBAL, N E; JOLIVET, R C; SERRE, G B R

PATENT-ASSIGNEE:

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PRIORITY-DATA: 1997FR-0016673 (December 30, 1997)

PATENT-FAMILY:

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DESIGNATED-STATES: AT BE CH CY DE DK ES FI FR GB GR IE IT LI LU MC NL PT SE AL AU BA BB BG BR CA CN CU CZ EE GD GE HR HU ID IL IN IS JP KG KP KR LC LK LR LT LV MG MK MN MX NO NZ PL RO SG SI SK SL TR TT UA US UZ VN YU ZW AT BE CH CY DE DK EA ES FI FR GB GH GR IE IT KE LS LU MC MW NL OA PT SD SE SZ UG ZW

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INT-CL (IPC): A61 K 38/17; C07 K 14/47; G01 N 33/53; G01 N 33/564

ABSTRACTED-PUB-NO: FR 2773157A

BASIC-ABSTRACT:

NOVELTY - Peptide (I) contains an epitope, recognized by anti-filaggrin antibodies (Ab) present in the serum of patients with rheumatoid polyarthritis (RP), comprises a tripeptide motif centered on a citrulline (Cit) residue present in at least one of three peptides of 49, 14 and 14 amino acids (sequences reproduced; fragments of filaggrin).

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

- (1) artificial antigen (AAg), recognized specifically by Ab, containing, or consisting of, at least one (I);
- (2) antigenic composition for diagnosis of RP containing at least one (I) or AAg, optionally labeled or conjugated to a carrier molecule; and
- (3) kits for detecting Ab containing (I) or AAg, plus suitable buffers and reagents.

ACTIVITY - None given.

MECHANISM OF ACTION - None given.

USE - (I) are used as antigen for in vitro detection of Ab, for diagnosis of RP, in standard immunoassays.





 ${\tt ADVANTAGE}$  -  ${\tt Ab}$  are markers of RP and their detection makes possible diagnosis at an early stage.

CHOSEN-DRAWING: Dwg.0/0

TITLE-TERMS: PEPTIDE CONTAIN EPITOPE ANTI ANTIBODY IMMUNOASSAY REAGENT DIAGNOSE

RHEUMATISM POLYARTHRITIS

DERWENT-CLASS: B04 S03

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Specfic Compounds
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PUB-NO: WO009808946A1

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: WO 9808946 A1

TITLE: ANTIGENS DERIVED FROM FILAGGRIN AND THEIR USE FOR DIAGNOSING RHEUMATOID

POLYARTHRITIS

PUBN-DATE: March 5, 1998

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DALBON PASCAL	FR	
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APPL-NO: FR09701541

APPL-DATE: September 1, 1997

PRIORITY-DATA: FR09610651A (August 30, 1996)

## ABSTRACT:

CHG DATE=19980505 STATUS=0>The invention concerns an artificial antigen specifically identified by the anti-filaggrin autoantibodies present in the serum of patients suffering from rheumatoid polyarthritis, and consisting of one polypeptide comprising all or part of the sequence of one filaggrin unit or of a related molecule, in which an arginine radical has been substituted by a citrulline radical. The invention also concerns the use of this antigen for diagnosing rheumatoid polyarthritis.

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File: EPAB

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PUB-NO: WO009808946A1

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: WO 9808946 A1

TITLE: ANTIGENS DERIVED FROM FILAGGRIN AND THEIR USE FOR DIAGNOSING RHEUMATOID

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PUBN-DATE: March 5, 1998

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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APPL-DATE: September 1, 1997

PRIORITY-DATA: FR09610651A (August 30, 1996)

INT-CL (IPC): C12 N 15/12; C12 N 1/21; C07 K 14/47; C12 N 9/78; G01 N 33/53 EUR-CL (EPC):  $\overline{\text{C07}}$  K $\overline{\text{014/47}}$ 

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and their applications

PUBN-DATE: March 30, 1999

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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PRIORITY-DATA: US25376294A (June 3, 1994), FR09104983A (April 26, 1991), FR09111727A (September 24, 1991), FR09200371W (April 24, 1992), US95835393A (January 27, 1993)

INT-CL (IPC): C07 K 1/00; C07 K 14/00; G01 N 33/564; G01 N 33/561

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